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THE NEW-YORK EXCHANGE OF WOMAN'S WORK DISPLAYS A WONDERFUL COLLECTION OF CHRISTMAS PRESENTS

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The New-York Exchange of Woman's Work, at No. 12 East Thirtleth-st., near Fifth-ave., is onplace where money expended for holiday or other

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Mrs. William G. Choate is president; Mrs. C. R. Agnew, Mrs. John T. Terry, Mrs. William E. Dodgo and Mrs. Russell Slage are vice-presidents: Miss Susan Herriman, recording secretary, Mrs. George Hoadley, corresponding secretary, and Miss Kath-

arine Lambert, treasurer The managers of this Exchange are performing praiseworthy service for gentlewomen who obliged to support themselves. It is the aim of the society to furnish a suitable place where women educated with no idea of making their varied accomplishments remunerative may seek advice and se cure assistance in placing their products advantageously before the public

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### CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.

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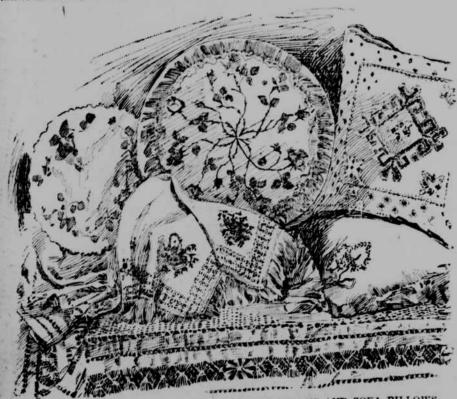
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Assisting Mrs. Le Brun are Mrs. H. L. Mo. Mrs. Ramsay, Mrs. Fleid, Mrs. Thomas, the Misses Faye and the Misses Comiss. Another pretty table is the one presided over by Mrs. W. Arnold, assisted by Miss Leary, Mrs. T. C. T. Crain, Mrs. Van-visitors as forming the best collection in the city.



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'The Helpers' have chosen the care of the sick poor in their own homes as their chief work of explation for the Holy Souls.

The children of the public schools, both boys and cirls, come daily to the convent for religious teachings. Sewing classes for children of all ages are leid on Saturdays, while on Sundays the convent offers hospitality, familiar instruction and amusement to children and young girls employed in business houses.

SCHOOL OF FANCY COOKERY.

A NEW DEPARTMENT OPENED BY THE EMANU-EL SISTERHOOD.

THE KOSHER SYSTEM TO BE EMPLOYED-STRANGE WAYS OF COOKING AND DISHES USED

Sisterhood, No. 223 East Seventy-ninth-st., opened yesterday morning with a class in fancy cookery. There are to be three of these classes on the mornings of Tuesday, Thursday and Friday of each week; they are composed of the ladies of the Sister-hood and their friends. Other classes will be formed as often as twelve members for each are ob-

present; two for the little girls of the sewing schools, and one, on Thursday evening, for the young women of the Girls' Friendly Club. Other teacher in charge of the school is Miss Carrie D. McComber, who also has charge of the cooking department of the Hebrew Institute.

The kosher system of cooking is to be employed in this school in the afternoon and evening classes. Each member of these classes is provided with a complete double set of cooking utensiis, and the work is to be done individually. It might puzzle a very experienced cooking teacher to account for all the utensils unless she had familiarized herself

Two moulding-boards, for example, are needed by collection of rare old silver cach, and two rolling-pins, one market "milk," the other "meat." Three times in the Mosale law the milk of the dam," is repeated. This, according to Jewish tradition, is to make very emphatic the inunction. The Rabbinical law of the Talmud, which Mount Sinai by Moses, elaborates this, and the result is that the orthodox do not mix in any way Any dish or utensil which has been in any way

for meat or animal fat. Hence the need of the two and saucepans. All of the meat must be soaked in water one-half hour in a pan or pail never used for other purposes, and salted for one hour upon a board used exclusively for that. The latter process s called "making kosher," or vulgarly, "koshering." There is one exception to this. Steak for brolling is not soaked and salted, as it is believed that the direct contact of the fire accomplisher the same redishes, and none but "kosher soap" (that in which it is sure there is no pork) for the meat dishes. DAILY LESSONS.

The schedule of the cooking lessons for these

and Madison-ave. Dr. Gotthell is the honorary president of the Sisterhood and Mrs. Einstein the acting president. Their house is finely equipped for the various departments of their work, and re-

There are now six sections, each one supervision of one of the ladies. The outdoor relief and sick and needy section is in charge of Miss Dollie Stiner, the kindergarten, Mrs. J. Levy, the Working Gir's' Club, Mrs. E. Preedman; the Sunday-school, Mrs. Jacques Levy; the sewing classes.

members, and has lectures upon popular and reli-gious subjects for its members, games, enter, ain is soon to be organized. A course in first aid to the injured has seen completed. The kindergatten has about forty children. The employment buteau last month, out of eighty-seven applicants, placed sixty-seven. Last year, of 1,100 applicants for work, more than a thousand received places.

KOSHER RECIPES.

choice in Jewish households.

Noodle soup. Two quarts cold water, two pounieg of shin of heef, one-quarter teaspoon summisavory, one-quarter teaspoon sweet marjoram, onquarter teaspoon thyme, one sprig parsley, one sanblade mace, one onlon or leek, one turnit, one carot, one-quarter cup tomatoes, one-half teaspoosait. Cut the meat from the bone, put the bonsait for the meat from the bone, put the bonsait souk one-half hour. Simmer the soup fror
four to sux hours. One hour before serving add the
spices, herbs and vegetables. Strain, put back is
hold, add sait and noodles, and boil constantly terminutes.

One-half cup flour, one egg. Sift the flour on the board, make a well in centre, add the egg. and with a knife add the flour until all is taken Knead until smooth and elastic. on a cloth into a very thin sheet. Let stand until partly dry, and cut into very thin strips. Spread upon a board and dry thoroughly.

APPLE STRUDEL

Three-quarters cup flour, one teaspoonful suct. half teaspoonful salt, half cup grated bread, half cup beer, ale or wine; five apples chopped fine, one-fourth cup raisins chopped fine, half chopped almonds, one-fourth cup sugar and half teaspoonful cinnamon. Sift the flour onto the board, make a well in the centre, add the salt and suct, beat in enough of the beer to make a soft dough, and work with the hands until it does not stick to the hands. Rinse a bowl with hot water and place over the dough, letting it stand about a

the dough in the centre and pull it out as this as paper. Spread with, melted suct and the mixas paper. Spread with, melted suct and the mix-ture of grated bread, apples, aimonds, sugar, cin-namon and raisins. After the filling is evenly spread, lift the cloth carefully at one side, and roll the strudel up like a music roll. Put one end of the strudel in the centre of a pan, and turn the other end around it, so as to give it a snake-like appearance. Brush over with melted suct, and bake in a medium oven until a light brown. When done, slip it onto a dish and sprinkle with pow-dered sugar.

Four ounces blanched hazelnuts, six ounces sugar, eight eggs, two ounces fine bread crumbs, one ounce sifted flour. Pound the nuts to a paste in ortar, add the yolks and sugar, and stir one-half our; add the bread crumbs and beaten whites

hour; add the bread crumbs and beard and, lastly, the sifted flour. Bake in round tin. When done, split through the middle and spread with the following mixture:

Three ounces butter creamed, with yolks of two eggs added slowly while stirring; two and one-half tablespoonfuls powdered sugar; one teaspoonful vanilla, one-half ounce fine-cut citron, five ounces finely cut haselnuts, three tablespoonfuls Madeira

AT THE TRAVELLERS' FAIR.

WOMEN AID IN MAKING THE HOTEL MEN'S DAY A SUCCESS.

MRS. JOHN H. FIFE AND HER DAUGHTER, WITH SESSION OF THE FLOWER AND

CANDY BOOTHS.

Yesterday was Hotel Men's Day at the Commercial Travellers' Fair, and the feature of the occasion was an imitation hotel with a very big register in which all visitors who were willing to pay privilege entered their names. The money thus obtained s to be used to buy a diamond pin for the most popular hotel clerk. For the purpose of ascertaining who this fortunate individual might a voting contest was instituted simultaneously with the registration. The votes, of course, were

paid for, and the money thus obtained will be turned over to the managers of the fair. The hotel was situated at the entrance of the amphitheatre, was prettily decorated, and had its name, "Hotel America," displayed in large letters. Colonel de Frece was supposed to be the proprietor, William A. Rosenkrans, secretary of the New-York State Hotel Men's Association, was manager, and Charles H. Meeker, clerk.

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The programme of the day was arranged and carried out by the following special committee:
John H. Fife, chairman; Julie de Ryther, lady chairman; C. F. Wildey, C. Delmonico, J. P. Caddagan, Warren Leland, jr., William G. Leland, Gardner Wetherbee, William S. Hawk, Simeon Ford, H. H. Brockwar, Lohn I. Dowd, and F. M. Tierrey. H. H. Brockway, John J. Dowd, and E. M. Tierney, ex-president of the New-York State Hotel Men's

Mrs. John H. Fife was in charge of the flower booth for the evening, and Miss Gertrude Fife, with a committee of children, took possession of the candy booth.

service and money poured into their coffers. All of it was clear gain to the fair, for the goods were donated by the leading candy manufacturers. The place is a complete candy exposition, being furnished with samples of every sweet on the market and every sample is backed up by a substantial consignment of the goods it represents.

Deputations of hotel men from Buffalo, Syracuse, Eimira, Binghamton, Scranton, Rochester and Albany were present during the evening, and were entertained at Lipton's Tea Pavillon. Here they were served not only with tea, but with bread and butter and jam, and Miss Nina Freeth told their fortunes from the teacups, while an orchestra stationed outside contributed also to their entertain-

The pavilion is a beautiful place, inclosed by Japanese portieres of strung beads, and is furnished with Oriental rugs, and artistic bamboo tables and chairs. It is in charge of Miss Southworth, who appears in an appropriate costume of red and yellow

Ella Wheeler Wilcox visited the fair yes afternoon, and spent some time at "The Home Magazine," which is considered the literary centre of the place. It is in charge of William Mill Butler, them yesterday how she came to write "The Travel-

do considerable travelling, and had occasion to observe the travelling man. As a result she came to serve the traveling man. As a result she came to the conclusion that the public did not do him justice and expressed her own opinion in the poem now so often quoted. The drummers were no less sur-prised than delighted to find themselves appreci-ated, and have since looked upon Mrs. Wilcox as a kind of patron saint. "She was the first person to recognize the finer side of the travelling man," said Mr. Butler, yester-day, "and her poem just sets him right with the public."

mong those who visited the fair during the even-were Mr. and Mrs. Thomas C. Platt, Mr. and Edward Lauterbach and Mr. and Mrs. P. G.

Mrs. Lamadrid and Mrs. Frank Leslie, with other members of the Executive Committee of the St.
Andrew's coffee stands, have promised to take charge of the flower booth to-night, and Mrs.
Lamadrid's march will be played by the Old Guard Band.

THE TRAVELLING MAN.

First in the crowded car is he to offer— This travelling man unhonored and unsung— The seat he paid for to some woman young Or old and wrinkled first is he to proffer Something, a trifle from his samples maybe, To please the fatery of a crying baby.

GOING ON TO-DAY.

morning at 11 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Ell J. Blake. No. 128 West Fifty-ninth-st. Subject of lecture, 'The Poetry of the Old Testament.'

"Amoranth" will give a matinee to-day, in the Amphica Theatre, Brooklyn, for the benefit of the Woman's Worknoom of the Northern Branch of the Broodlen Bureau of Charities. The society will present a comedy in three acts, entitled "Our Regi-ment." Miss Bertha Parce, a favorite in Brooklyn will take one of the leading parts.

The class of '98 of Barnard College will give a

Miss Annie Beaston lectures at 3 o'clock this aftermoon in the home of Mrs. Jacob Hess. No. 82 West Sixty-eighth-st. Subject of lecture, "Dolly Madison."

entertain their friends this evening in the nursery. No. 402 East Sixtleth-st. The little ones cared for in this institution are given kindergarten instruction, and this is the programme that will be given Santa Claus," song, by the children; opening address, Otto Wideman; drill, Nursery Junior Girls Mary Peters; "Daniel in the Lions' Den," Eddi Fuebs; "Joseph as Slave and Ruler of Egypt, Eddie Fuebs and Our Boys; tableau. The presi-dent of the nursery is Mrs. T. R. Taylor; vice-tresident, Mrs. Felis Stolber; secretary, Mrs. F. H. Morse; treasurer, Mrs. E. M. Miller; matron, Mrs. E. Umstead.

The Ladies' International Association will give musical this afternoon at 4 o'clock, in the pariors of the Fifth Avenue Hotel. The artists who will Baerer-Zur Neiden, Miss Adeic Wagner and S. L. Pinner: Short papers will be read by Mrs. M. B. Peeks, Mrs. John Vance Cheney, Miss Alice Don-leyy, Mrs. Lucia Balcom and Mile. Bussey-Le Claire, who are officers of the association.

managers of the Non-Sectarian Hospital and Home for Epileptics will open a fair this afternoon in the new Johnston Building, Fulton and Nevinsts, Brooklyn. The fair will close to-morrow night

The Quid Nunc Club will meet at 8:30 o'clock this evening, at No. 181 Lenox-ave. The subject for dis-cussion is "The Utilization of Niagara."

The Patria Club holds its first monthly meeting The Patria class the Waldorf. Dr. Melancthon this evening at the Waldorf. Dr. Melancthon Woolsey Stryker, president of Hamilton College, will speak on "Civil Unity." A fund of \$500 will enable speak on "Civil Unity." A fund of the with character the club to procure some very excellent lecturers and readers this season, and George W. Cable and Professor John Fiske, the historian, will be among the number. A prize of \$50 has been offered by the club for the best exercise on entertainment calculated to promote patriotic interest in very small children. As many women as men belong to this

o'clock, before the Brooklyn Metaphysical League, which meets in Robertson's Hall, Downing-st, and No. 162 Gates-ave. Subject of the lecture, "European and Asiatic Thought, and Their Relation to the Present Time."

The Woman's West End Auxiliary will meet this attenuon, at 3 o'clock, at No. 102 West Eighty-second-st. Mrs. Mary Foxwell will read a paper on "Civil Service."

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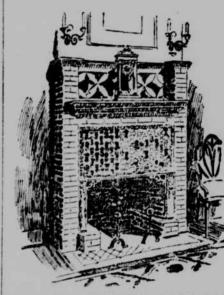
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TRIBUNE SHUT-IN CLUB.

MANY SUGGESTIONS FOR CHRISTMAS PRES-ENTS-TREE ORNAMENTS AND FANCY ARTICLES.

Not only will questions sent in by the Shut-ins be answered as soon as possible, but all their good suggestions for the entertainment of their sister workers will be printed in the Shut-in column. The lessons on china painting will be continued the chapters running, perhaps, every other day, thus giving an opportunity for answering the requests made by numerous Shut-ins who are just

now hard at work on Christmas gifts. Anybody who sends in suggestions immediately becomes an honorary member of this club. A Shut-in has asked for this sketch, omitted in and it is herewith given. The structure can be



HANDSOME ORNAMENTAL BRICK FIRE-

placed in any room that is large enough to admit of it, and can be built around the existing fire-place. The arrangement throws the fire rather far back, but that makes it all the more artistic.

of smooth, perfect chamols skin, and cut it the size preferred Scallop or "pink" the edges and work an eyelet hole in the middle of each scallop. of the piece, using the rich, deeply tinted slik floss. a box or block made, sufficiently heavy not to be easily overturned, and pad the sides and top with

In answer to Alice: To make a dainty sachet take an ordinary rough paper envelope, fill it with cotton, through which sachet-powder has sprinkled, seel and decorate with water-colors

A profitable way for Mrs. A. L. B., particularly as she is a Shut-in, to utilize her artistic talents is in the making of paper dolls. These dainty little figures, when cleverly made and dressed, are always salable, whereas the market is glutted with calendars, frames, cards, etc., which the various woman's exchanges" try in vain to dispose of.

The outlines of the doll should be traced on white paper and then cut out and painted on both sides water-colors. The lingerie should be painted in with a fine brush, in black and white, and the lacework about the throat, arms and bottom of the skirt can be made to look wonderfully real. The shoes and stockings should also be painted on. The shoes and stockings should also be painted on. The dresses should be made of paper stiff enough not to be flimsy and not so heavy that it will crack, and they should be made to clothe the little ladies on both sides and be fastened together in as many places as possible. They should always be in the latest style and painted to represent real fabrics. The costumes should be complete in every detail, just like those of real people, and, of course, must be removable, for the dressing and undressing of the dolls is what delights a child's heart. Now, in the holiday senson, when thousands of mothers are wondering what they can give the little ones at Christmas, it is just the time to put these dolls on the market, as they will be sure to find a ready rale in woman's exchanges, book stores and bazaars. As presents for home children nothing could be prettler, for the amount of money it takes to make them.

some very pretty until the same paper flowers of gor-geous hues, stars and crescents in various sizes made of gilt and silver paper, bright-colored paper boxes and cornucopias, with small pictures glued on the gay surfaces, all of which can be made by the Shut-ins and will add wonderfully to the beauty and brightness of the tree.

Hemstitched handkerchiefs always make accept able gifts, as no one is ever overburdened with these useful articles. They are easy to make and may cost much or little, according to the financial resources of the giver.

A special meeting of the American Purity Alliance was held in the United Charities Building yesterday afternoon. The Rev. Dr. W. T. Sabine presided. Aaron M. Powell, president, and Mrs. Anna Rice Powell, corresponding secretary of the alliance, lately returned from Europe, gave some account of the international conference for the abolition of State regulation of vice, held at Berne, Switzerland.

may be proposed to legalize vice, with police and medical supervision, in this city. It was arranged to hold the annual meeting of the alliance in As-sembly Hall, United Charities Building, January E.

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THE DAY'S GOSSIP.

The Rhinelander School of the Children's Aid Society gave an exhibition of the best methods of teaching civics and patriotism last night at No. 350 East Eighty-eighth-st. Mayor Strong and ex-Mayor Hewitt were present.

Vesterday was to have been dramatic day at the Professional Woman's League, but the members are all so busy preparing for Christmas, and so tired out with working for the bazaar, that neither audience nor entertainers appeared.

ured last week at the home of Mrs. Russell Sage on the subject of life insurance for women, is deeply interested in this comparatively new help for women and their dependent young families. Syracuse, and is in no way personally interested in the insurance business. But she is a mother and a woman strongly interested in all philanthropia plans, and she believes this insurance movement

one of the best possible he:ps for women.
"So many mothers," said Mrs. Lapham, "toll ceasiessly for their children, striving to give them an education and comfortable bomes. But what if the mother dies and leaves her helpless little ones? Who is to care for them and keep them from bedollar a week for an endowment policy assures to a woman not only protection, in case of her death, the guaranteed return, at a specified rate, of all the money paid and the compound interest, the amount of which will prove a substantial prop in declining years. declining years."
During her stay in New-York Mrs. Lapham called on Chauncey M. Depew, and the following letter from him shows in what high estimation the insurance plan appeals to a man who is far removed from the necessity of adopting it:

THE FAIR FRIENDS' BAZAAR.

The Pastor's Fair Friends' Society of the News York Presbyterian Church, Seventh-ave, and Onehundred-and-twenty-eighth-st., opened yesterday afternoon their Christmas sale, which will close

where there is a display of many useful and fancy articles. Assisting Miss Wood are her two nieces, Ethel and Sabina Watts. The book table, in the centre of the room, is in charge of Dr. Charles 8. Robinson, the paster, and his assistants are C. M. Delayergne and L. M. Mackey.

The Young Ladies' Auxiliary has a table of children's clothes, made by the little ones in the In-

dustrial School. Miss A. Stodler, assisted by Mrs. E. Lord and Miss McComb, preside at the candy booth. The groteries occupy a large part of the room, and Mrs. T. Anderson is in charge. Mrs. Foom, and aris.

F. Sloteman and Mrs. Wilson, with many helpers, serve the refreshments. The art gallery is an amusing and interesting place to vivit. George Anderson has arranged many unique features. Miss Anna Ensign and the Misses Harria sell the Scripture cake, and with each piece they give the recipe, which is as follows:

SCRIPTURE CAKE.

One cup butter, Judges v, 25; two cups sugar, Jeremiah vi, 20; three and one-half cups of flour, prepared, I Kings iv, 22; two cups raisins, I Samuel xxx, 12; two cups flow cups flow cups flow in the cup almonds, Genesis xili, 11; one cup water, Genesis xxiv, 20; six eggs, Isaiah x, 14; a pinch of salt, Leviticus ii, 13; one large iron spoon of honey, Exodus xvi, 31; to taste, sweet spices, I Kings x, 2. Follow Solomon's advice for making good boys (first clause of Proverbs xxiii, 14) and you will have a good cake.

A SUNDAY-SCHOOL BAZAAR.

The bazaar and Christmas sale under the auspices of the primery department of Calvary Meth-odist Episcopal Sunday-school, One-hundred-andtwenty-ninth-st. and Seventh-ave., closed last evening. Miss Smith and Miss Kenney had charge of the Japanese booth. The lemonade well wa decorated with yellow, and Miss Briggs wa "Rebecca." Mrs. Pyke sold all of the fancy cles at her table. The candy booth was in ch of Mrs. Willington, and was visited often by scholars of the infant class. Mrs. C. F. Hud had charge of the groceries, and Mrs. He served the refreshments. Assisting her were I Torry. Mrs. M. Wooley, Mrs. Reeves, Mrs. Be man, Mrs. Cavan and Mrs. L. F. Stoddard.

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